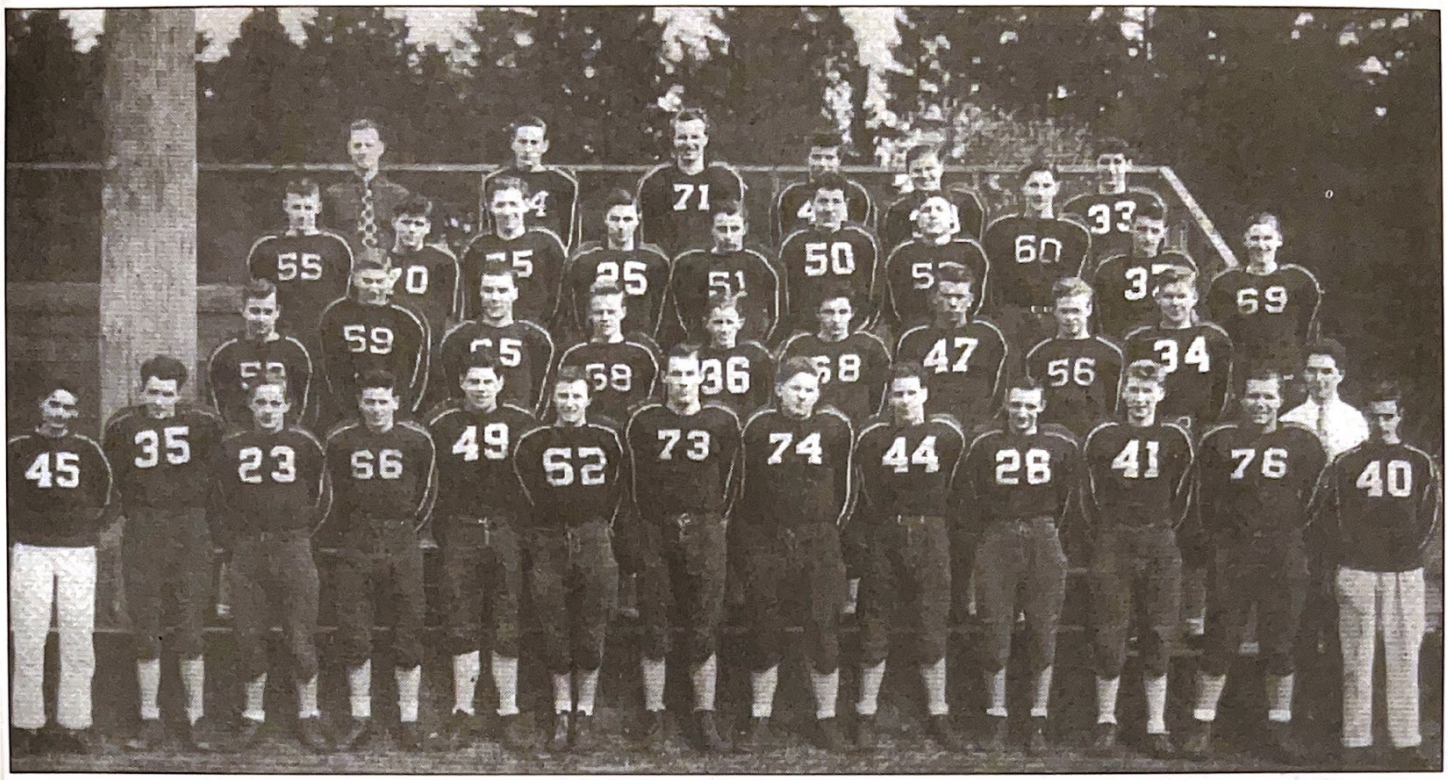

First row, left to right: Phillips, Dodge, Gillas, Cameron, Coonrod, Schwanz, Boyle, Erickson, Burling, Kimbell, Meyer, Reitmeyer, Hawk, McGrew; second row: Koehler, Rainey, Miller, Bellinger, Maroney, Jones, Wright, Farnsworth, Weible; third row: Self, Dunn, Anderson, Breitenbach, Tucker, Pillette, McColm, Schimel, Platt, Meyer; fourth row: Coach Ragsdale, O'Harra, Nyberg, Bolton, Hegre, Bowerman.

Thanksgiving Day November 22, 1945

Camas 12 Vancouver 0

A beautiful Thanksgiving morning set the stage for a perfect ending to the 1945 Papermakers Football Season.

The Vancouver Trappers had beaten Camas for 7 straight years and were heavily favored to win again. But this Camas team had something else in mind.

Inspired by Coach Ragsdale, these dedicated sophomores, juniors, and seniors played their best game of the year. The Papermakers, with their small but rugged line, and their fast and talented backfield were able to stop the Trappers on every effort to score. Meanwhile, they were scoring 2 touchdowns of their own.

The first score was made by team captain Lee Fletcher. He stole the ball from Chuck Gill in the Trapper backfield and raced 53 yards escorted by most of his teammates. Later in the game Kenny Dunn picked off a Trapper pass and returned it 40 yards to score, giving the Papermakers a 12-0 victory.